

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **SAKATA, Makoto, et al.**

Group Art Unit: **1781**

Serial No.: **10/593,347**

Examiner: **CHAWLA, Jyoti**

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For: **METHOD OF MODIFYING GUM ARABIC, MODIFIED GUM ARABIC
OBTAINED BY THE METHOD, AND USE THEREOF**

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
- EXPEDITED RESPONSE -
GROUP ART UNIT 1781

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 9, 2011, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.